

STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Comment

The Administrator, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada, is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Administrative Code 444.570 through 444.7499, inclusive, and under the Nevada Revised Statutes 444.440 through 444.620, inclusive.

The Administrator has received an amended application for a permit to operate a compost plant from the following applicant:

Ponderosa Dairies

The applicant is seeking authorization to increase the quantities of compostable material and continue to operate a compost plant. Feed stock will increase to 115,000 yd³ (from 106,000 yd³, a 8.5% increase), Intermediate Product will increase to 27,500 yd³ (from 17,500 yd3, a 57% increase) and Finished Product will increase to 13,750 yd³ (from 9,000 yd³, a 53% increase). The change will take place at:

Ponderosa Dairy 900 Mecca Road Amargosa Valley, Nevada

On the basis of a review of the requirements of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to re-issue a permit to operate a compost plant as described in the permit application. The applicant has requested an increase the quantities of compostable material managed onsite. The applicant or any interested persons may comment on this proposed intent by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code by submitting their comments or request, in writing, by June 30th 2006 to:

Jon Taylor, P.E.
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Waste Management
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701-5249

All comments or requests for a public hearing received by June 30th, 2006 will be addressed in final determinations regarding the application. A request for a public hearing must state the nature of the issues the requester intends to raise at the hearing. The Administrator may extend the period for public review as deemed necessary.

Anyone wishing to submit comments or request a hearing on the DRAFT PERMIT should do so in writing on or before June 30th, 2006 and mail to the address below. All comments or requests for a public hearing received during the public comment period will be addressed in final determinations by the NDEP. A request for a public hearing must state the nature of the issues the requester intends to raise at the hearing. The Administrator may extend the period for public review as necessary. Within 30 days after the end of the period for public review, the Administrator will issue a permit to operate the compost site, or, deny the application and send written notice to the applicant which details the reasons why the application is being denied.

The Administrative Record, which includes the DRAFT PERMIT, Application and Fact Sheet, is available for public review by appointment between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday at the NDEP offices at Division of Environmental Protection, 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, NV 89701-5249.